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SUBJECT: DENIAL OF CORRESPONDENT'S TRAVEL REQUEST

1. NEW YORK TIMES BUREAU HERE INFORMS US THAT CRAIG WHITNEY OF TIMES HAD PLANNED TRIP TO YAKUTSK AND MIRNYI CANCELLED BY UPDK IN LATE JUNE. WHITNEY HAD APPLIED FOR DATES JUNE 22-27 AND WAS TOLD THAT FOR "REPUBLICAN REASONS" NO HOTEL SPACE WAS AVAILABLE UNTIL AFTER 27TH. WHEN PRESSED, UPDK ALLEGEDLY TOLD TIMES THAT IT HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED BY MFA TO DENY TRIP ON BASIS LACK OF HOTEL SPACE.

2. HAD WHITNEY GONE ON TRIP, SUMMONS IN CONNECTION WITH GOSTELERADIO'S SLANDER SUIT COULD NOT HAVE BEEN SERVED ON HIM JUNE 27 AS WAS IN FACT DONE.

3. COMMENT: WE AGREE WITH TIMES BUREAU THAT TRIP CANCELLATION WAS STAGE-MANAGED BY MFA TO ENSURE WHITNEY'S AVAILABILITY IN MOSCOW FOR GOSTELERADIO SUIT. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT DEPARTMENT TAKE STEPS TO IMPLEMENT SWIFT AND MEANINGFUL RETALIATION AGAINST SUITABLE SOVIET CORRESPONDENT. MATLOCK
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